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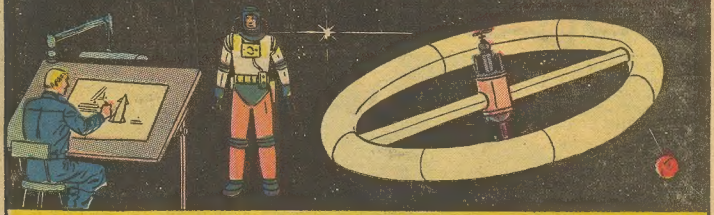

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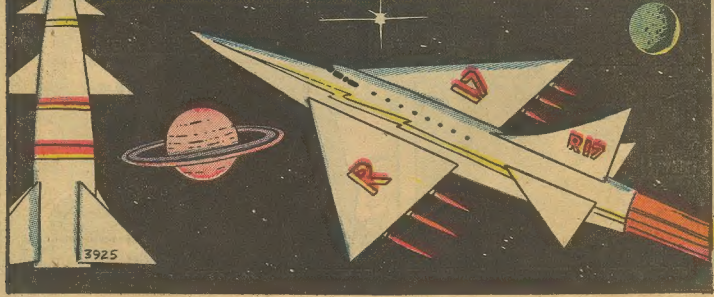

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THE DREAM

IT WAS A BOY'S DREAM, YOUNG KEITH EMERY'S DREAM. BUT IT MOLDED THE FUTURE OF THE MAN AND IT HELPED BEGIN A NEW AGE FOR A VAST, SURGING MASS OF HUMANITY FETTERED TO THE PLANET EARTH. THIS BEGINS THE STORY OF A MAN WHOSE EYES AND HEART WERE ON THE STARS, A MAN WHO LED HIS PEOPLE INTO THE VASTNESS OF OUTER SPACE!

SOMEDAY I'LL KNOW WHAT'S OUT THERE! SOMEDAY I'LL GO OUT THERE... TO THE STARS!

THE DREAM NEVER DIMINISHED! AS HE GREW, KEITH READ ALL HE COULD FIND ABOUT SPACE TRAVEL AND THE GALAXY...

TRIP TO THE MOON H.G. WELLS

IN SCHOOL HIS GENIUS FOR HIGHER MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE WERE QUICKLY RECOGNIZED...

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, THE BOY IS A GENIUS,' AND HE SEEMS TO HAVE SOME INNER URGE, PUSHING HIM.'

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HE PREPARED WELL FOR THE FUTURE HE SOUGHT. HE BUILT HIS BODY AND HIS MIND TOWARD MENTAL AND PHYSICAL STRENGTH...

SOMEDAY I'LL REACH THERE... SOMEDAY I'LL BE THE FIRST MAN TO SET FOOT ON THE MOON, THE PIONEER OF OUTER SPACE!

WHEN THE WORLD SEETHED IN THE CLUTCHES OF AN INSANE WAR, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE MISSILE DEPARTMENT...

BASICALLY THERE ARE FOUR TYPES OF MISSILES, SURFACE TO SURFACE, SURFACE TO AIR, AIR TO SURFACE AND, AIR TO AIR MISSILES...

WHEN WAR HAD CEASED, KEITH EMERY'S NAME LOOMED BRIGHTLY ON THE SCIENTIFIC HORIZON. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING LONG RANGE RADAR FOR BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE...

A CIVILIAN AGAIN, HE TURNED HIS EAGER MENTALITY TO ROCKET PROPULSION AND MAN-MADE METEORS. THEN, ONE DAY, HE HAD A VISITOR...

DR. EMERY, I AM DR. FERDINAND MARGUS. I READ WITH EXTREME INTEREST YOUR FINE PAPER ON ROKET FUSION POWER!

THANK YOU, SIR! OF COURSE I KNOW OF YOUR OWN WORK IN THE FIELD! THIS IS AN HONOR!

DR. EMERY, A GROUP OF THE WEST'S FOREMOST SCIENTISTS HAVE BEEN FORMED UNDER GOVERNMENT SUPERVISION INTO A NEW KIND OF MANHATTAN PROJECT. THE ULTIMATE AIM IS... FLIGHT INTO OUTER SPACE. WE WANT YOU WITH US!

WITHIN THE WEEK, KEITH HAD MET HIS COLLEAGUES, FABULOUS NAMES IN SCIENCE, AND AMONG THEM, DR. JANET BELL...

OH, HELLO, DR. BELL. I THINK I HAVE SIMPLIFIED THE ENGINEERING FOR A FUSION POWER ROCKET. I'M CONVINCED IT'S THE FUEL WE MUST USE...

DR. EMERY, IT'S AFTER THREE, AND I'LL BET YOU HAVEN'T EATEN SINCE LUNCHEON...

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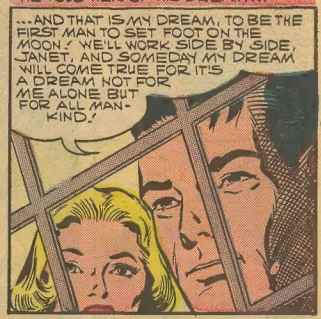
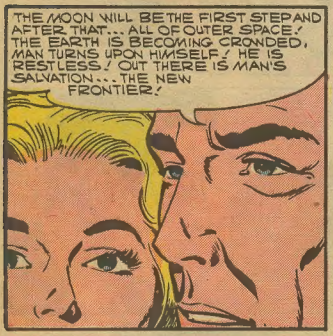
KEITH HAD LITTLE TIME FOR THE OPPOSITE SEX FOR HE LIVED IN A WORLD THEY DIDN'T UNDERSTAND... UNTIL HE MET JANET BELL! IT WAS THE BEGINNING OF ROMANCE...

THE MOON IS FOR ROMANCE WHEN TWO PEOPLE ARE IN LOVE, KEITH! BUT TO YOU IT MEANS SOMETHING ELSE, DOESN'T IT?
YES! SOMETHING INFINITELY MORE!

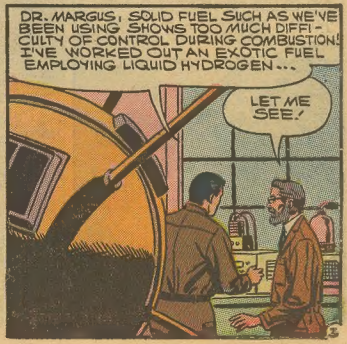
HE TOLD HER OF HIS DREAM...


...AND THAT IS MY DREAM, TO BE THE FIRST MAN TO SET FOOT ON THE MOON! WE'LL WORK SIDE BY SIDE, JANET, AND SOMEDAY MY DREAM WILL COME TRUE FOR IT'S A DREAM NOT FOR ME ALONE BUT FOR ALL MANKIND!


THE MOON WILL BE THE FIRST STEP AND AFTER THAT... ALL OF OUTER SPACE! THE EARTH IS BECOMING CROWDED, MAN TURNS UPON HIMSELF! HE IS RESTLESS! OUT THERE IS MAN'S SALVATION... THE NEW FRONTIER!

KEITH'S WORK BECAME PRINCIPALLY CONCERNED WITH SATELLITE...

THE SCIENTISTS REDOUBLED THEIR EFFORTS! THEY HAD THEIR FAILURES...


DR. MARGUS, SOLID FUEL SUCH AS WE'VE BEEN USING SHOWS TOO MUCH DIFFICULTY OF CONTROL DURING COMBUSTION! I'VE WORKED OUT AN EXOTIC FUEL EMPLOYING LIQUID HYDROGEN...
LET ME SEE!

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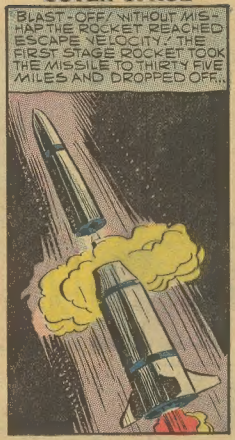
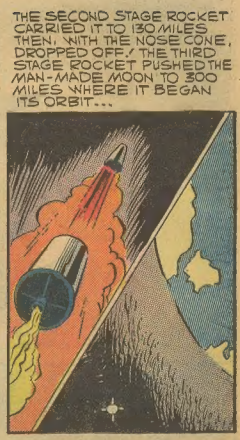
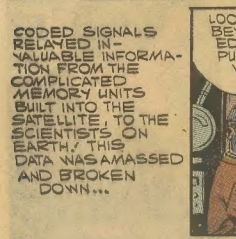
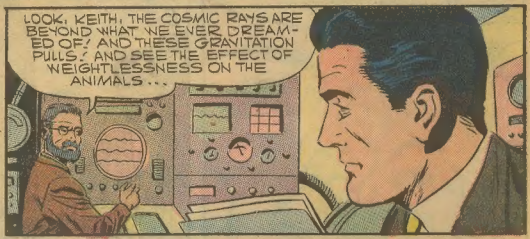
WORK PROGRESSED RAPIDLY... THE MOST IMPORTANT INSTRUMENTS ARE FOR STUDYING COSMIC RAYS, SOLAR RADIATION, TEMPERATURE, PRESSURE, AND PHYSIOLOGICAL CHANGES IN THE BODIES OF THE ANIMALS WHO WILL BE THE SATELLITE'S PASSENGERS.

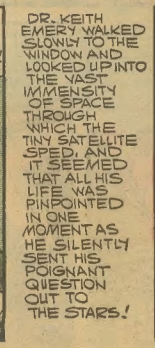

BLAST-OFF! WITHOUT MISHAP THE ROCKET REACHED ESCAPE VELOCITY. THE FIRST STAGE ROCKET TOOK THE MISSILE TO THIRTY FIVE MILES AND DROPPED OFF..


THE SECOND STAGE ROCKET CARRIED IT TO 130 MILES THEN, WITH THE NOSE CONE, DROPPED OFF. THE THIRD STAGE ROCKET PUSHED THE MAN-MADE MOON TO 300 MILES WHERE IT BEGAN ITS ORBIT...


CODED SIGNALS RELAYED INVALUABLE INFORMATION FROM THE COMPLICATED MEMORY UNITS BUILT INTO THE SATELLITE, TO THE SCIENTISTS ON EARTH. THIS DATA WAS AMASSED AND BROKEN DOWN...


LOOK, KEITH, THE COSMIC RAYS ARE BEYOND WHAT WE EVER DREAMED OF! AND THESE GRAVITATION PULLS! AND SEE THE EFFECT OF WEIGHTLESSNESS ON THE ANIMALS...

FROM THE AMASSED DATA SO FAR IT WOULD SEEM THAT THE HUMAN BODY, A MAN, CANNOT EXIST IN OUTER SPACE!


DR. KEITH EMERY WALKED SLOWLY TO THE WINDOW AND LOOKED UP INTO THE VAST IMMENSITY OF SPACE THROUGH WHICH THE TINY SATELLITE SPED, AND IT SEEMED THAT ALL HIS LIFE WAS PINPOINTED IN ONE MOMENT AS HE SILENTLY SENT HIS POIGNANT QUESTION OUT TO THE STARS!

IS THIS IT? IS THIS THE END OF THE DREAM?
END

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STEP INTO OUTER SPACE

THE DREAM MUST NOT BE SHATTERED. THE DREAM FOR THE FUTURE OF ALL MANKIND! THE INFORMATION DERIVED FROM THE SATELLITES WOULD TELL THE STORY. MORE AND BIGGER MAN-MADE MOONS WERE SENT UP TO ORBIT AND SEND DOWN TO EARTH THE FINDINGS OF THEIR MYRIAD, COMPLICATED INSTRUMENTS...

I CAN'T... I WON'T BELIEVE THAT MAN CANNOT GO INTO OUTER SPACE! MAN EXISTS AS THE DOMINANT LIFE FORM ON EARTH ONLY BECAUSE, BY MENTAL INGENUITY, HE FITS HIMSELF FOR HIS ENVIRONMENT! BY THOSE SAME MEANS HE CAN FIT HIMSELF FOR THE ALIEN ENVIRONMENT OF OUTER SPACE!
NICHOLAS AND TRAPANI

WE MUST FIND SOME WAY OF GETTING THE LAB ANIMALS IN THE SATELLITES DOWN TO EARTH ALIVE FOR FURTHER STUDY!
YOU DO NOT GIVE UP, EH, KEITH?

DR. EMERY, COULD I HAVE A FEW MINUTES OF YOUR TIME? I KNOW YOU'RE AWFULLY BUSY...
KEITH, THIS IS FRANK MASON WHOM WE'VE JUST ADDED TO THE STAFF. A BRILLIANT RECORD IN ENGINEERING...

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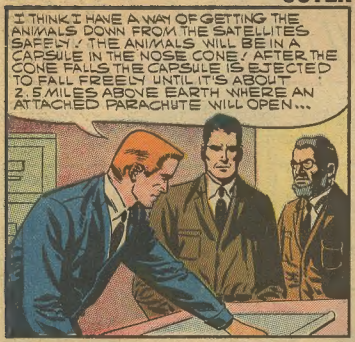
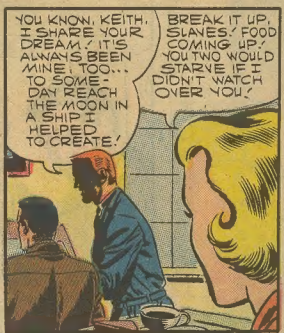
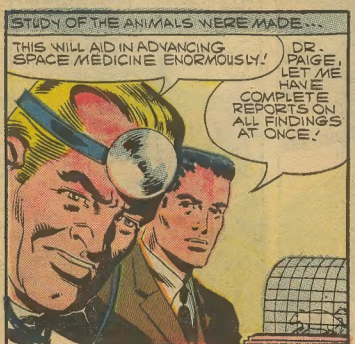
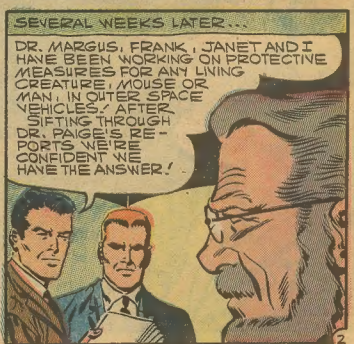

I THINK I HAVE A WAY OF GETTING THE ANIMALS DOWN FROM THE SATELLITES SAFELY. THE ANIMALS WILL BE IN A CAPSULE IN THE NOSE CONE. AFTER THE CONE FALLS THE CAPSULE IS EJECTED TO FALL FREELY UNTIL IT'S ABOUT 2.5 MILES ABOVE EARTH WHERE AN ATTACHED PARACHUTE WILL OPEN...

THE TWO MEN BECAME VERY CLOSE FRIENDS! ALWAYS IMMERSED IN THEIR WORK AND DREAMS, NEITHER HAD EVER MADE ANY LASTING FRIENDSHIPS UNTIL NOW...

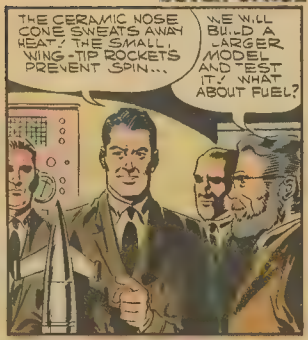

YOU KNOW, KEITH, I SHARE YOUR DREAM. IT'S ALWAYS BEEN MINE, TOO... TO SOMEDAY REACH THE MOON IN A SHIP I HELPED TO CREATE!
BREAK IT UP, SLAVES. FOOD COMING UP. YOU TWO WOULD STARVE IF I DIDN'T WATCH OVER YOU.

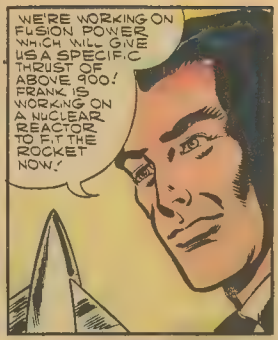
AT THE FIRST ATTEMPT, THE NEW ANIMAL CAPSULE AND MECHANISM WORKED PERFECTLY...
HERE IT IS, AND EVERY LITTLE CREATURE ABOARD IS DAZED BUT ALIVE AND HAPPY.

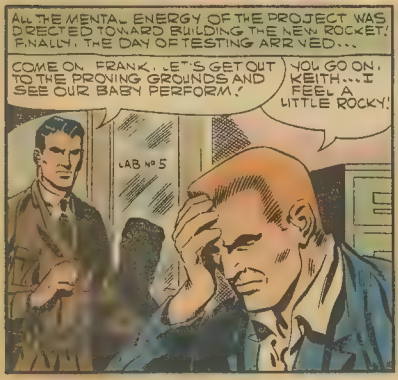

STUDY OF THE ANIMALS WERE MADE...
THIS WILL AID IN ADVANCING SPACE MEDICINE ENORMOUSLY!
DR. PAIGE, LET ME HAVE COMPLETE REPORTS ON ALL FINDINGS AT ONCE!

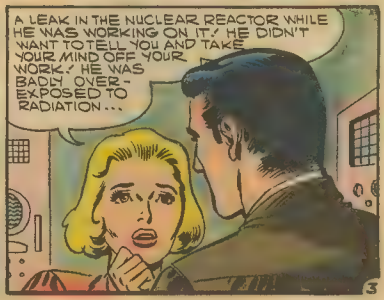

SEVERAL WEEKS LATER...
DR. MARGUS, FRANK, JANET AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING ON PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR ANY LIVING CREATURE, MOUSE OR MAN, IN OUTER SPACE VEHICLES. AFTER SIFTING THROUGH DR. PAIGE'S REPORTS WE'RE CONFIDENT WE HAVE THE ANSWER!

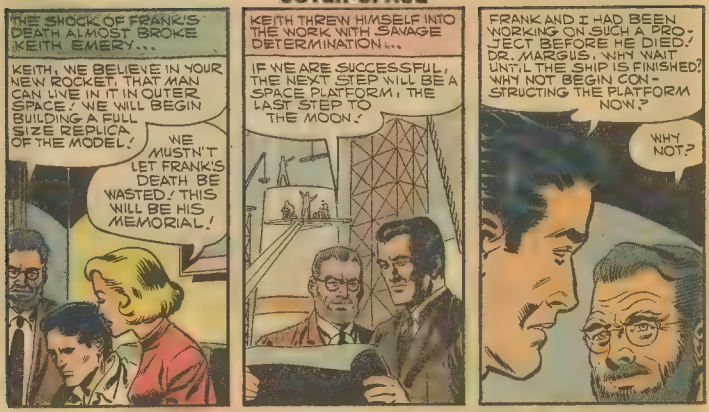
A NEW METAL ALLOY, DEVELOPED BY FRANK AND KEITH, CUTS COSMIC RAY INTENSITY MUCH THE SAME AS DO THE PARTICLES IN EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE...


THE CERAMIC NOSE CONE SWEATS AWAY HEAT. THE SMALL WING-TIP ROCKETS PREVENT SPIN...
WE WILL BUILD A LARGER MODEL AND TEST IT. WHAT ABOUT FUEL?

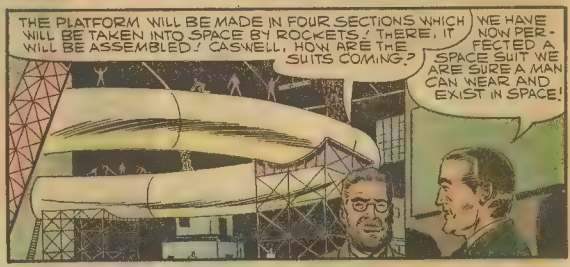

WE'RE WORKING ON FUSION POWER WHICH WILL GIVE US A SPECIFIC THRUST OF ABOVE 900! FRANK IS WORKING ON A NUCLEAR REACTOR TO FIT THE ROCKET NOW.


ALL THE MENTAL ENERGY OF THE PROJECT WAS DIRECTED TOWARD BUILDING THE NEW ROCKET. FINALLY, THE DAY OF TESTING ARRIVED...
COME ON FRANK, LET'S GET OUT TO THE PROVING GROUNDS AND SEE OUR BABY PERFORM!
YOU GO ON, KEITH... I FEEL A LITTLE ROCKY!
LAB Nº 5

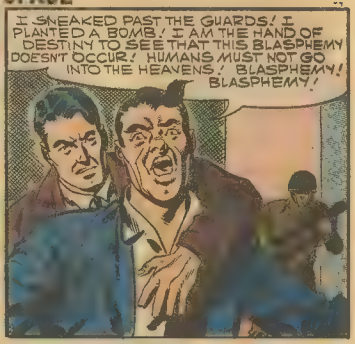

A LEAK IN THE NUCLEAR REACTOR WHILE HE WAS WORKING ON IT! HE DIDN'T WANT TO TELL YOU AND TAKE YOUR MIND OFF YOUR WORK! HE WAS BADLY OVER-EXPOSED TO RADIATION...

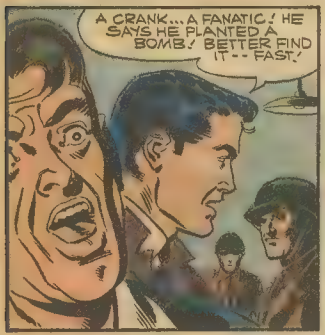

THE SHOCK OF FRANK'S DEATH ALMOST BROKE KEITH EMERY...
KEITH, WE BELIEVE IN YOUR NEW ROCKET, THAT MAN CAN LIVE IN IT IN OUTER SPACE! WE WILL BEGIN BUILDING A FULL SIZE REPLICA OF THE MODEL!
WE MUSTN'T LET FRANK'S DEATH BE WASTED! THIS WILL BE HIS MEMORIAL!
KEITH THREW HIMSELF INTO THE WORK WITH SAVAGE DETERMINATION...
IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL, THE NEXT STEP WILL BE A SPACE PLATFORM, THE LAST STEP TO THE MOON!
FRANK AND I HAD BEEN WORKING ON SUCH A PROJECT BEFORE HE DIED! DR. MARGUS, WHY WAIT UNTIL THE SHIP IS FINISHED? WHY NOT BEGIN CONSTRUCTING THE PLATFORM NOW?
WHY NOT?

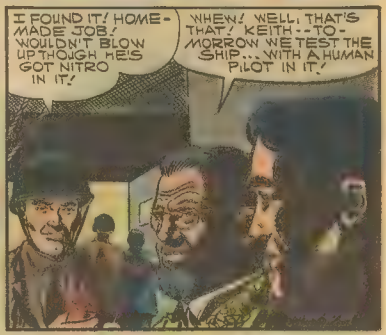
SKETCHES AND WORKING MODELS WERE MADE, THE SCIENTISTS WORKING DAY AND NIGHT! THEN WORK ON THE HUGE PLATFORM BEGAN...

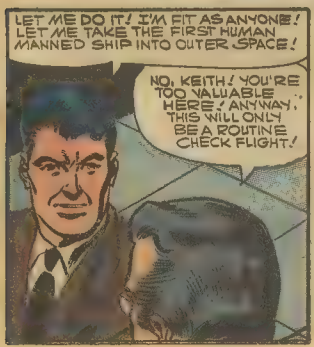

THE PLATFORM WILL BE MADE IN FOUR SECTIONS WHICH WILL BE TAKEN INTO SPACE BY ROCKETS! THERE, IT WILL BE ASSEMBLED! CASWELL, HOW ARE THE SUITS COMING?
WE HAVE NOW PERFECTED A SPACE SUIT WE ARE SURE A MAN CAN WEAR AND EXIST IN SPACE!

THE SPACE SHIP WAS ALMOST FINISHED AND THE SPACE PLATFORM WELL ON ITS WAY! KEITH, RESTLESS AND NERVOUS, TOOK TO PROWLING THE GROUNDS AT NIGHT WHEN HE COULDN'T SLEEP...

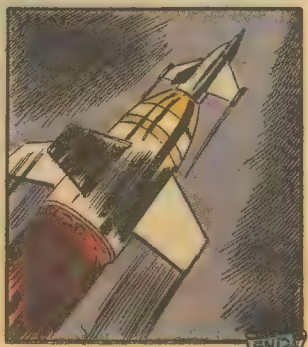

I SNEAKED PAST THE GUARDS! I PLANTED A BOMB! I AM THE HAND OF DESTINY TO SEE THAT THIS BLASPHEMY DOESN'T OCCUR! HUMANS MUST NOT GO INTO THE HEAVENS! BLASPHEMY! BLASPHEMY!




I FOUND IT! HOME-MADE JOB! WOULDN'T BLOW UP THOUGH HE'S GOT NITRO IN IT!
WHEW! WELL, THAT'S THAT, KEITH -- TO-MORROW WE TEST THE SHIP... WITH A HUMAN PILOT IN IT!


LET ME DO IT! I'M FIT AS ANYONE! LET ME TAKE THE FIRST HUMAN MANNED SHIP INTO OUTER SPACE!
NO, KEITH! YOU'RE TOO VALUABLE HERE! ANYWAY, THIS WILL ONLY BE A ROUTINE CHECK FLIGHT!

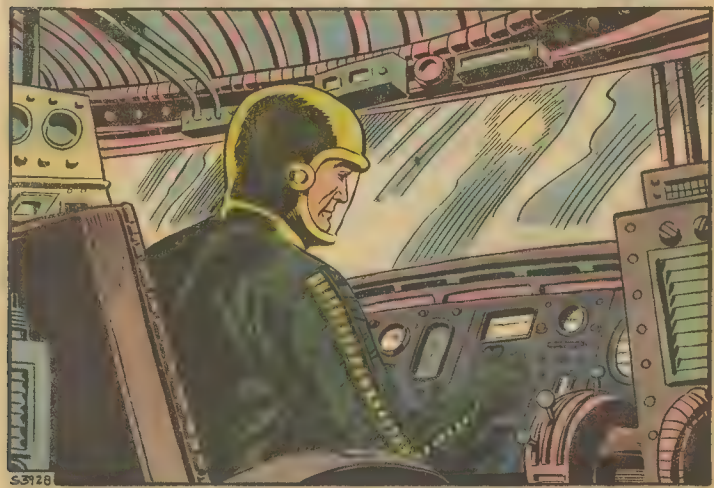
AND SO, THE NEXT MORNING, THE MANNED ROCKET SHIP BLASTED OFF... THE FIRST STEP INTO OUTER SPACE!



OUTER SPACE

SPACE PLATFORM

THIS IS THE FIRST MANNED SPACE ROCKET TO REACH OUTER SPACE ... THE GREATEST STEP FORWARD YET TO BRING REALIZATION TO THE DREAM OF DR. KEITH EMERY.' THE MAN IN THE SPACE SHIP IS MAJOR WILLIAM TAYLOR.' HIS NAME WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY.' THE SHIP'S PROPULSION IS GIVEN BY ROCKETS, THE ONLY TYPE OF ENGINE CAPABLE OF PROPULSION IN AIRLESS SPACE SINCE IT USES NO AIR FOR COMBUSTION!



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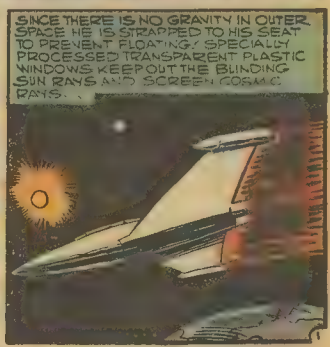
A CONDITIONER KEEPS THE MAJOR WARM, FOR SPACE TEMPERATURE IS CLOSE TO ABSOLUTE ZERO.' THE CABIN AND SPACE SUIT ARE PRESSURIZED FOR THE LACK OF PRESSURE IN SPACE WOULD VAPORIZE A HUMAN'S BLOOD...


SINCE THERE IS NO GRAVITY IN OUTER SPACE HE IS STRAPPED TO HIS SEAT TO PREVENT FLOATING.' SPECIALLY PROCESSED TRANSPARENT PLASTIC WINDOWS KEEP OUT THE BLINDING SUN RAYS AND SCREEN COSMIC RAYS...

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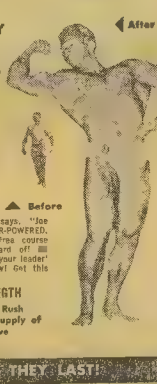

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ON EARTH THE SCIENTISTS DWELL FIERCELY ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES FROM THE MAN IN THE SHIP...

SHACKED OUT FROM ACCELERATION.' OKAY NOW.' LUCKY IT'S AUTOMATIC CONTROL.' I FEEL SORT OF LOST.' DON'T KNOW WHICH WAY IS UP...OR DOWN.'

"HE'D BETTER ORIENT HIMSELF FAST OR HE'LL NEVER BRING HER DOWN.'

EVERYTHING FINE.' REACHING CLOSE TO ULTIMATE THRUST.' I'LL HAVE TO ADJUST TO THE GRAVITATIONAL PULLS OF EARTH, SUN AND MOON AND CALCULATE THEIR ORBITAL MOVEMENT...

IN A 500 MILE ORBIT AND TRAVELLING AT 18,000 MILES PER HOUR, THE PILOT HAS TO OPERATE HIS SHIP MANUALLY IN ORDER TO COME DOWN. HE USES REVERSE ROCKETS TO BRAKE THE SHIP AND START INTO A DECAYING ORBIT...

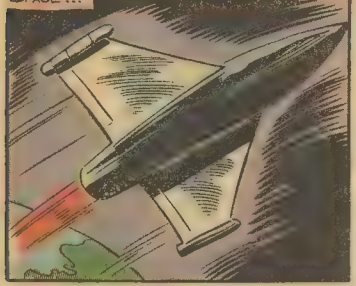
TO KEEP HIS SPEED FROM BECOMING TOO GREAT AND THE SHIP FROM BURNING HE UTILIZES HIS WING ROCKETS TO BOUNCE ON HEAVY ATMOSPHERE IN DESCENT...

AFTER ORBITING AROUND EARTH THREE TIMES, THE SHIP IN A SERIES OF 'SKIPS' GLIDES TO A LANDING. REVERSE ROCKETS BRINGING THE SHIP DOWN SMOOTHLY AND EASILY...

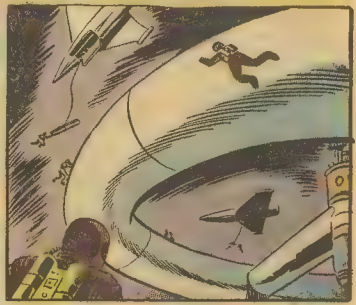
TALK, MAN.' TELL US...

GIVE ME A CHANCE.' I WANT TO GET IT ALL STRAIGHT IN MY MIND.' NO MAN HAS EVER EXPERIENCED THIS BEFORE...

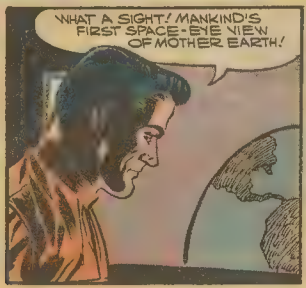
THE FLIGHT WAS A SUCCESS! THE NEXT STEP WAS TAKING THE COMPLETED SECTIONS OF THE SPACE PLATFORM UP INTO OUTER SPACE...



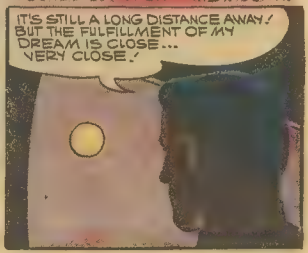
AND THERE IN SPACE THE SECTIONS OF THE PLATFORM WERE FUSED INTO A UNIT...



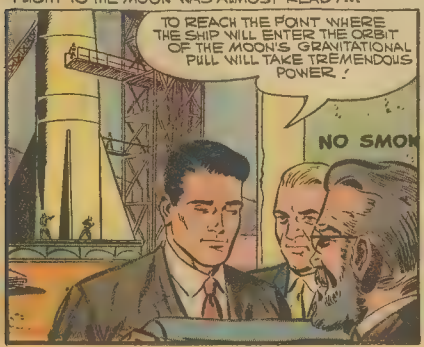
DR. KEITH EMERY REACHED THE PLATFORM BY SPACE ROCKET SHIP TO INSPECT IT...

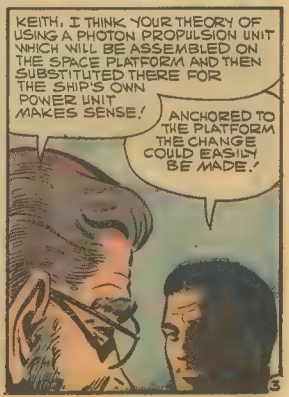


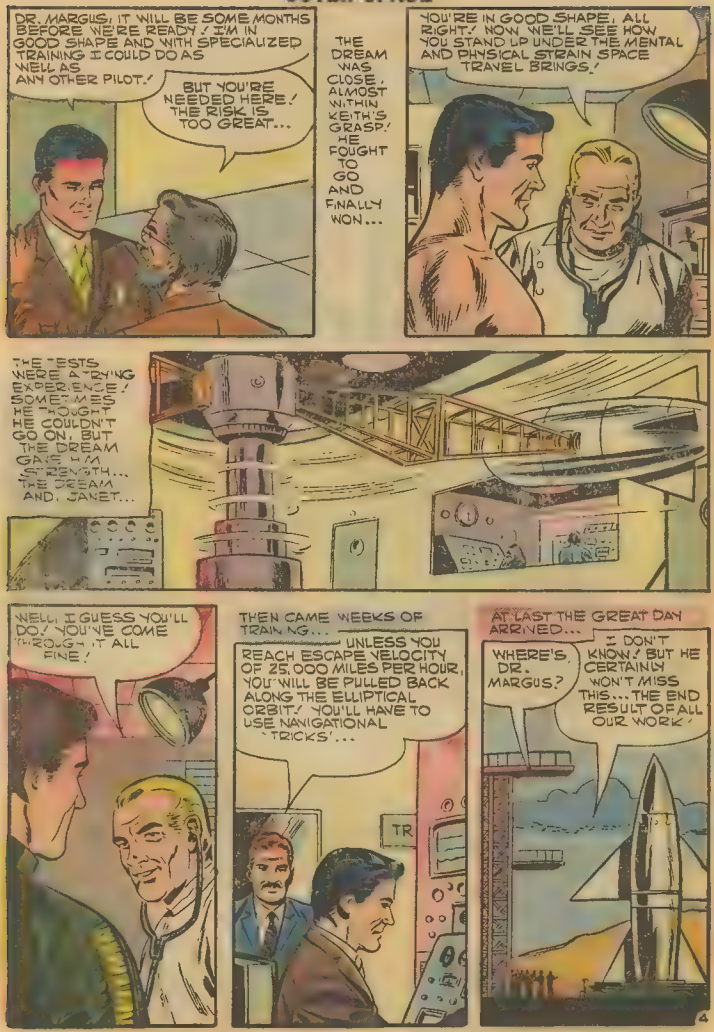
HE MOVED TO ANOTHER WINDOW AND LOOKED OUT UPON -- THE MOON...



BACK ON EARTH WORK STILL WENT ON! THE SPACE CRAFT DESTINED TO MAKE THE FIRST HISTORIC FLIGHT TO THE MOON WAS ALMOST READY...


TO REACH THE POINT WHERE THE SHIP WILL ENTER THE ORBIT OF THE MOON'S GRAVITATIONAL PULL WILL TAKE TREMENDOUS POWER!
NO SMOK


KEITH, I THINK YOUR THEORY OF USING A PHOTON PROPULSION UNIT WHICH WILL BE ASSEMBLED ON THE SPACE PLATFORM AND THEN SUBSTITUTED THERE FOR THE SHIP'S OWN POWER UNIT MAKES SENSE!
ANCHORED TO THE PLATFORM THE CHANGE COULD EASILY BE MADE!


DR. MARGUS, IT WILL BE SOME MONTHS BEFORE WE'RE READY. I'M IN GOOD SHAPE AND WITH SPECIALIZED TRAINING I COULD DO AS WELL AS ANY OTHER PILOT.
BUT YOU'RE NEEDED HERE! THE RISK IS TOO GREAT...
THE DREAM WAS CLOSE, ALMOST WITHIN KEITH'S GRASP. HE FOUGHT TO GO AND FINALLY WON...
YOU'RE IN GOOD SHAPE, ALL RIGHT. NOW WE'LL SEE HOW YOU STAND UP UNDER THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL STRAIN SPACE TRAVEL BRINGS.
THE TESTS WERE A TRYING EXPERIENCE. SOMETIMES HE THOUGHT HE COULDN'T GO ON. BUT THE DREAM GAVE HIM STRENGTH... THE DREAM AND... JANET...
WELL, I GUESS YOU'LL DO. YOU'VE COME THROUGH IT ALL FINE!
THEN CAME WEEKS OF TRAINING...
UNLESS YOU REACH ESCAPE VELOCITY OF 25,000 MILES PER HOUR, YOU WILL BE PULLED BACK ALONG THE ELLIPTICAL ORBIT. YOU'LL HAVE TO USE NAVIGATIONAL 'TRICKS'...
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AT LAST THE GREAT DAY ARRIVED...
WHERE'S DR. MARGUS?
I DON'T KNOW, BUT HE CERTAINLY WON'T MISS THIS... THE END RESULT OF ALL OUR WORK!
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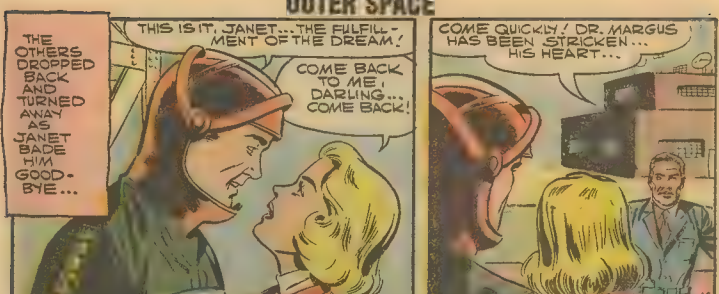
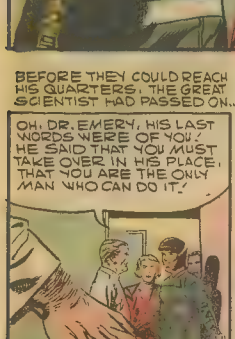
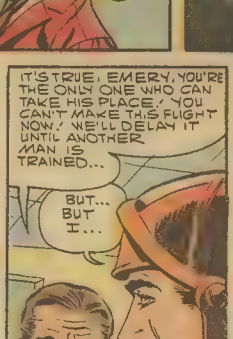
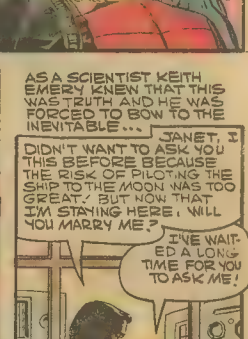
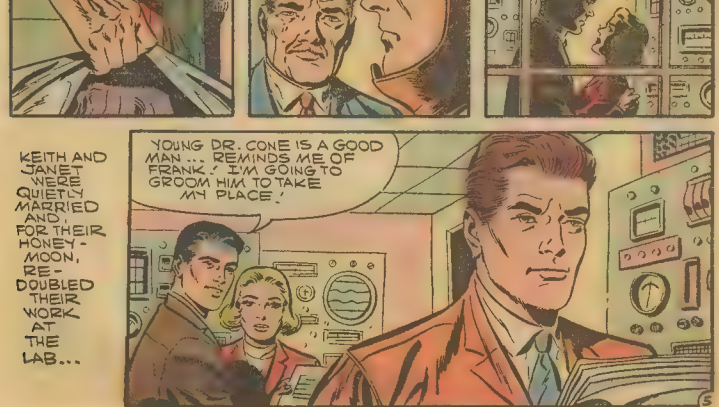

THE OTHERS DROPPED BACK AND TURNED AWAY AS JANET BADE HIM GOOD-BYE...
THIS IS IT, JANET... THE FULFILLMENT OF THE DREAM!
COME BACK TO ME, DARLING... COME BACK!
COME QUICKLY! DR. MARGUS HAS BEEN STRICKEN... HIS HEART...


BEFORE THEY COULD REACH HIS QUARTERS, THE GREAT SCIENTIST HAD PASSED ON...
OH, DR. EMERY, HIS LAST WORDS WERE OF YOU! HE SAID THAT YOU MUST TAKE OVER IN HIS PLACE, THAT YOU ARE THE ONLY MAN WHO CAN DO IT.


IT'S TRUE, EMERY, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN TAKE HIS PLACE! YOU CAN'T MAKE THIS FLIGHT NOW! WE'LL DELAY IT UNTIL ANOTHER MAN IS TRAINED...
BUT... BUT I...


AS A SCIENTIST KEITH EMERY KNEW THAT THIS WAS TRUTH AND HE WAS FORCED TO BOW TO THE INEVITABLE...
JANET, I DIDN'T WANT TO ASK YOU THIS BEFORE BECAUSE THE RISK OF PILOTING THE SHIP TO THE MOON WAS TOO GREAT. BUT NOW THAT I'M STAYING HERE, WILL YOU MARRY ME?
I'VE WAITED A LONG TIME FOR YOU TO ASK ME!


KEITH AND JANET WERE QUIETLY MARRIED AND FOR THEIR HONEY-MOON, RE-DOUBLED THEIR WORK AT THE LAB...
YOUNG DR. CONE IS A GOOD MAN... REMINDS ME OF FRANK! I'M GOING TO GROOM HIM TO TAKE MY PLACE!

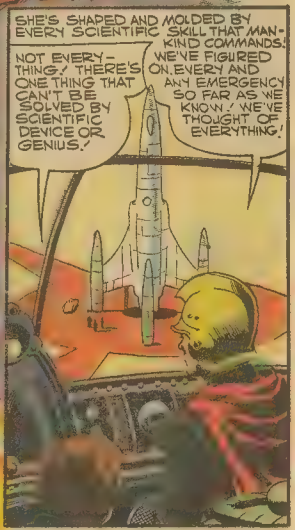
OUTER SPACE

THE NEW PILOT WAS READY! EVERY TEST HAD BEEN MADE AND DOUBLE CHECKED TO MAKE SURE THE SHIP WAS READY...
I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING MORE WE CAN DO!
ZERO HOUR...THE BEGINNING OF THE GREAT ADVENTURE! THE SECONDS TICKED AWAY! THEN CAME--BLAST-OFF...
WHROOM!
SOMETHING'S WRONG! SHE'S NOT RISING FAST ENOUGH...
CRASH
THE SIRENS SHRILLED! THEY RUSHED TO THE WRECKAGE! THE PILOT WAS DEAD. THE SHIP WRECKED...
IT... IT WOULD HAVE BEEN YOU!
YES, BUT THAT DOESN'T MATTER NOW! WHAT WENT WRONG? WE MUST SEARCH UNTIL WE FIND THE ANSWER!
WILL WE EVER REACH IT?
COURAGE, DARLING! REMEMBER YOUR OWN WORDS..." WITH HIS BRAIN MAN FASHIONS WAYS TO FIT HIS ENVIRONMENT! HE CAN, THROUGH THIS SAME MENTAL MEDIUM, MEET AND CONQUER THE CHALLENGE OF SPACE!"

Continued after next story.

IT TOWERED TOWARD THE SKY, A CHALLENGE TO THE INFINITE VASTNESS ABOVE AND TO THE FETTERS THAT BOUND MANKIND TO THIS PLANET EARTH. THE SHIP WAS BUILT THAT WOULD CONQUER SPACE, BUT WHAT OF THE HUMAN BEING THAT WOULD MAN THE SHIP? WOULD HE TOO CONQUER SPACE OR... WOULD SPACE CONQUER HIM?

THE MAN FROM OUTER SPACE


SHE'S SHAPED AND MOLDED BY EVERY SCIENTIFIC SKILL THAT MANKIND COMMANDS!
WE'VE FIGURED ON EVERY AND ANY EMERGENCY SO FAR AS WE KNOW, WE'VE THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING!
NOT EVERYTHING, THERE'S ONE THING THAT CAN'T BE SOLVED BY SCIENTIFIC DEVICE OR GENIUS.

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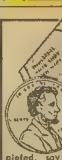

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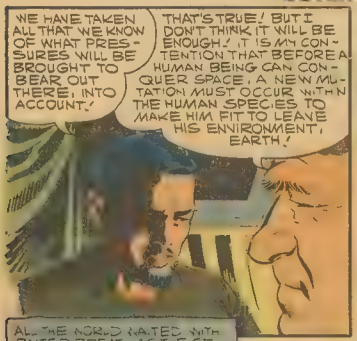
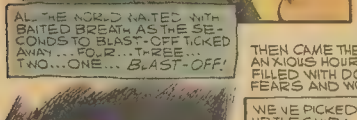
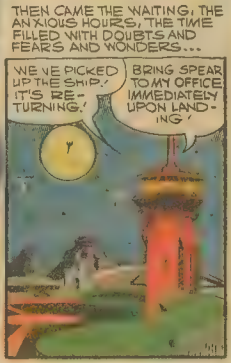
BELOW THE FIELD TOWER WAS THE TESTING LAB! HERE THE MAN, WILLIAM SPEAR CHOSEN FROM MANY APPLICANTS TO MAKE THE FIRST FLIGHT INTO SPACE HAD UNDERGONE THE SPECIFIC AND STRENUOUS TESTING AND TRAINING TO QUALIFY...
WE'VE LEFT NOTHING TO CHANCE! SPEAR HAS HAD MONTHS OF MENTAL AND PHYSICAL TRAINING FOR THE JOB! LET'S QUESTION HIM!
WELL, BILL, HOW DO YOU FEEL? READY FOR THE BIG HOP?
YES, SIR! I FEEL GREAT!
TAKE A REST NOW! TOMORROW AT DAWN IS ZERO HOUR! DR. MANGAN WILL EXAMINE AND CHECK YOU OUT BEFORE YOU GET SUITED UP! HE'LL ALSO CHECK YOU WHEN YOU GET BACK FROM.... THE MOON!
YES, SIR!
IF HE GETS BACK... AND THERE'S STILL ANYTHING HUMAN, MENTAL OR PHYSICAL, TO CHECK!
LET'S GET TO THE MEETING, DOCTOR! THE OTHERS, I'M SURE, WILL BE INTERESTED IN YOUR VIEWS!

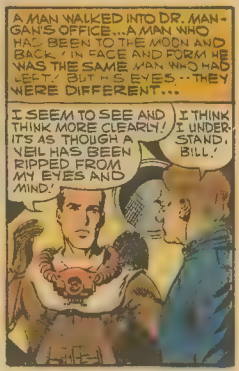
THIS WAS TO BE THE LAST MEETING OF THE GREAT SCIENTIFIC MINDS WHICH HAD MADE SPACE FLIGHT POSSIBLE, BEFORE BLAST-OFF...
BRILLIANCE AND GENIUS FROM ASSORTED FIELDS, FROM ROCKETRY TO MEDICINE... THESE MEN WERE WITHOUT PEER IN THE... WORLD...
GENTLEMEN. DR. MANGAN HAS SOMETHING HE WOULD LIKE TO SAY.'
THE SHIP YOUR COMBINED GENIUS HAS BUILT IS UNDOUBTEDLY MORE THAN FIT TO DO WHAT YOU REQUIRE OF IT.' I KNOW VERY LITTLE OF THAT SPHERE OF THIS UNDERTAKING AS YOU KNOW.' MY JOB HERE IS THE HUMAN ELEMENT... THE MAN IN THE SHIP.'
BILL SPEAR, IN MIND AND BODY, IS AS PERFECTLY FIT FOR HIS JOB AS THE SHIP IS.' I'LL VOUCH FOR THAT.'
I AM NOT DOUBTING THE ABILITY OF YOU, DR. FENTON, OR YOUR STAFF, TO DETERMINE SPEAR'S PRESENT MENTAL AND PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR THE JOB AHEAD.'
AS YOU KNOW I AM A GENETICIST.' AS SUCH I MUST REMIND YOU THAT THE EVOLUTION OF ANY PARTICULAR SPECIES, MANKIND INCLUDED, IS FOCUSED TOWARD SURVIVAL OF THAT SPECIES WITHIN THE NARROW LIMIT OF A SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENT.'
THE HUMAN SPECIES EVOLVED TOWARD SURVIVAL ON THE SURFACE OF THIS PLANET EARTH AND IS EMINENTLY FITTED FOR THAT PURPOSE.. BUT NOT FOR SURVIVAL, AS MANKIND, IN OUTER SPACE.' WE DO NOT KNOW SPECIFICALLY WHAT EFFECT THE IMMENSITY OF SPACE, THE COSMIC LONELINESS OR THE NAKED, COSMIC RAYS, WILL HAVE UPON A MAN'S MIND AND BODY.'

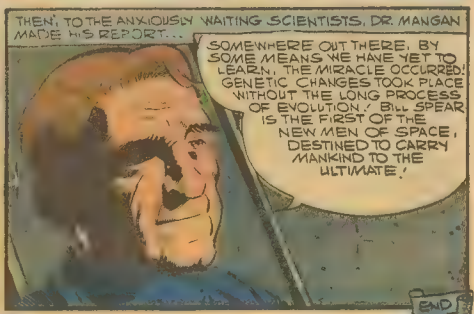

WE HAVE TAKEN ALL THAT WE KNOW OF WHAT PRESSURES WILL BE BROUGHT TO BEAR OUT THERE, INTO ACCOUNT.
THAT'S TRUE! BUT I DON'T THINK IT WILL BE ENOUGH. IT IS MY CONTENTION THAT BEFORE A HUMAN BEING CAN CONQUER SPACE, A NEW MUTATION MUST OCCUR WITHIN THE HUMAN SPECIES TO MAKE HIM FIT TO LEAVE HIS ENVIRONMENT, EARTH!

DISCUSSION CONTINUED AND THE HOURS PASSED...
DAMN! THIRTY MINUTES BEFORE BLAST-OFF! SPEAR IS WAITING TO BE CHECKED!
MAJOR, IT'S
WELL, GENTLEMEN, WE'LL SOON KNOW!


ALL THE WORLD WAITED WITH BAITED BREATH AS THE SECONDS TO BLAST-OFF TICKED AWAY... FOUR... THREE... TWO... ONE... BLAST-OFF!


THEN CAME THE WAITING, THE ANXIOUS HOURS, THE TIME FILLED WITH DOUBTS AND FEARS AND WONDERS...
WE'VE PICKED UP THE SHIP. IT'S RETURNING.
BRING SPEAR TO MY OFFICE IMMEDIATELY UPON LANDING!


A MAN WALKED INTO DR. MANGAN'S OFFICE... A MAN WHO HAD BEEN TO THE MOON AND BACK. IN FACE AND FORM HE WAS THE SAME MAN WHO HAD LEFT. BUT HIS EYES... THEY WERE DIFFERENT...
I SEEM TO SEE AND THINK MORE CLEARLY! IT'S AS THOUGH A VEIL HAS BEEN RIPPED FROM MY EYES AND MIND!
I THINK I UNDERSTAND, BILL!


THEN, TO THE ANXIOUSLY WAITING SCIENTISTS, DR. MANGAN MADE HIS REPORT...
SOMEWHERE OUT THERE, BY SOME MEANS WE HAVE YET TO LEARN, THE MIRACLE OCCURRED! GENETIC CHANGES TOOK PLACE WITHOUT THE LONG PROCESS OF EVOLUTION. BILL SPEAR IS THE FIRST OF THE NEW MEN OF SPACE, DESTINED TO CARRY MANKIND TO THE ULTIMATE!
END

Moon Madness

See that long line of people? Goes around the block at least three times. They have about fifty policemen trying their best to keep the people in line. Every now and then you hear somebody remark to somebody else: "Whatchya' shuvin' for?" Smart kids are making money selling refreshments to the tired people in line. One bright fellow even sold chairs with little wheels on them. You don't have to stand in line. You can sit in line and be comfortable.

But why should those people be in line? They want to purchase tickets for the first space flight to Moon. A lot of people like to be known what we call "Firsters." When a new play opens on Broadway, they buy tickets for the first night. When a new type of suit comes out, they are the first to wear it. They enjoy boasting always that they were the first to see this or that; the first to try that or this; and the first to be someplace.

But why all the excitement? I spent thirty five years of my life on the Moon. You heard me! I'm not going to repeat that again. Winslow the Great never, never told a fib in his entire life. Alas, my name doesn't strike a gong in your mind. But your father knew me when he went to the circus. I was the fellow they shot out from a cannon — Winslow the Great, who defied the Elements to be hurled from the blazing mouth of a gigantic cannon.

So it happened thirty five years ago. The famous Snell & Hartley Circus had set up tent. Everybody came to see me for I was the featured attraction. On this occasion I had built a large plastic tube that looked like a big cigar. I was inside the plastic tube. They put me into the cannon. Loaded a charge of powder. Then Puffff! BANG! I should have gone up into the air three hundred feet and then headed downward into a big tank of water. But nothing of the sort happened. Instead I went right through the atmosphere, past the iconsphere, penetrated the microsphere and then into outer space. Only years later did I learn what happened to the circus on that fateful day.

Seems there was also a big cloud of smoke. We used black powder to charge the cannon and then fire me from the mouth of the cannon. So when the smoke cleared way, you couldn't find me. Then somebody in the crowd started to yell:

"Fake! Fake! We want our money back!"

Now what could poor Mr. Snells who owned half of the circus do? He talked it over with Mr. Hartley who owned the other half of the circus. They had a legal problem on their hands.

"If we don't produce Winslow the Great we will have to return the money. We are honorable people. But where is he?" said Mr. Hartley to Mr. Snells. The money was returned and the crowd was satisfied. They went on to the other features of the circus. Saw the lions, the elephants, the seals and the clowns.

Didn't anybody care about me? Winslow the Great was missing from this Earth. For three days and nights I traveled through outer space. I was ahead of Sputnik by thirty five years. Believe me, I was getting hungry and thirsty. I always carried emergency rations with me and something to drink. Once a meteor almost hit me but probably decided at the last minute to change its course.

I couldn't sleep a wink at all for those three days and nights. Actually you haven't such a thing as night once you pass the iconsphere. The sun is shining at an inverted angle of thirty eight degrees and seven seconds. You can get a terrible sunburn if you aren't careful. Was I fortunate that I had with me a jar of Moon Sunbeam Cream with me. Quickly I removed the cover and put the fine cream on my hands and face. It gives you an even tan. I have an extra jar of that cream with me — only one to a customer. Costs you fifty cents for the small size, one dollar for the big size. Listen to me folks, a sunburn in outer space can be annoying. So be sensible. For the sum that I ask you can avoid all these dangers.

There I was in my plastic tube headed for the Moon. I could spend hours describing this creation of my brain. When Winslow the Great thinks up an idea, it must be a great idea. When you get home tonight from work the kids are going to rush up to their pop and give him a big hug and kiss. Then comes the eternal question:

"Whatdidcha bring me?"

It must be awful embarassing to tell your own children you were in a hurry and didn't bring them anything. Now you haven't the slightest excuse in the world. For twenty five cents you can bring to each and every one of your kids a small little model made out of plastic of the original space ship I built. For ten cents more I will even give the kid an

autograph. You'll take one, over there, mister? Fine, here it is.

Three days and nights can be a long, long time when you aren't doing anything. So I looked at the stars. There were millions of them. When I was a kid I learned about the North Star and something which my teacher called constellations. I guess it means that stars sort of hang together in a group. As I passed the different constellations I felt ashamed of myself.

Here I was, Winslow the Great, headed for the outer space of an unexplored universe! But all over me I felt a terrible shame. I was ignorant of a lot of things that pertained to stars. I didn't know the name of the constellation to my right, nor the name of the constellation to my left. Once a star winked at me in a very friendly manner. I winked back. But that star was 234,567,902 light years away from me. So it is going to take a long time for the star to get my message.

Right there and then I decided to become unignorant if such a thing is possible. But for Winslow the Great, it was possible. I made up my mind to give those constellations names. Just like when an explorer for the first time comes across uncharted land. So I came across these uncharted constellations. I called one Fifth Avenue, another Broadway, one Main Street, another Pinehurst Avenue and one I even called Biglow Street. In about two hours I ran out of names. Then I remembered we gave the streets numbers in our city. So I called one constellation first street, the next was second street, and I kept on. You can't run out of numbers.

Now you folks will soon be going past all these constellations in your first trip to the Moon. Maybe you will even have the kids with you. There you are, peeping out of the plastic dome of your space ship. Suddenly your wife points her finger to a group of stars and asks you a very simple question:

"What do they call those stars?"

How red can your face get when you don't know the answer? So you try to cough or change the subject? Now if you had with you my special star name book that I wrote, everything would be a cinch. Just eighty pages of names of all the constellations, and only ten cents for this paper covered book. You want one? Thank you, sir. And you too? Thank you, sir.

I see the line is moving which means that some people must have already bought and received their tickets. What a surprise you'll get when you land on the Moon. I won't tell you everything, because it will spoil the fun. I finally landed on the Moon. There was a big splash of water when I hit the tank.

Now up in the Moon they also have circuses. Seems they were going to have a specialty called, SDNHAJABA The Great. This fellow gets shot out of an atomic cannon. But he was late for his job. They fired the cannon anyway. Hence they thought that I, Winslow the Great, was SDNHAJABA the Great. It took me all of thirty five years to convince those Moonites that I was an Earthling.

"Please let me go home," I used to plead.

"You belong here on the Moon," they insisted. "You are a Moonite, not an Earthling. So get that nonsense out of your head!"

Then all of a sudden I got a brilliant idea. Unfortunately it took thirty five years to reach my brain cells. So simple I should have thought of it at once. I managed to have that cannon loaded with a triple charge of atomic fuel. When they fired the cannon I went straight into outer space. This time I was headed back home for Earth!

It took a little less than three days and nights for the return trip. I only hoped that I would land right back in my old circus job. Hoped that Mr. Snell and Mr. Hartley weren't angry at me for what happened. You guessed it! I landed in water but it was out in the ocean near a public beach. I got out of my plastic tube. It filled with water and sank. However I did manage to reach the shore.

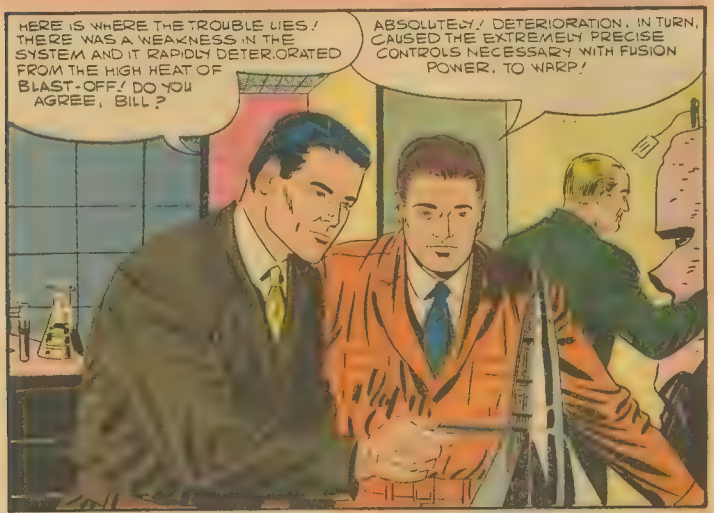
I regret that I haven't any evidence to substantiate my story. But wait till you reach the Moon. Go to the circus, the one near the Big Canal on the left side of Deep River. Then ask for SDMHAJABA the Great. If he isn't there, then you know I am the Man! So go ahead and find out whether what I tell you is so-or not so!

THE END

OUTER SPACE

DESTINATION OUTER SPACE

STEP BY STEP THE SCIENTISTS EVALUATED THE WRECKAGE OF THE SPACE SHIP AND FOUND THE FLAWS! AGAIN THE BUILDING OF A NEW AND BETTER SHIP BEGAN! BUT THIS SHIP HAD A SMALLER TWIN ... AN EXACT, BUT UNMANNED COSMIC ROCKET WHICH WOULD BE SHOT AT THE MOON!


HERE IS WHERE THE TROUBLE LIES! THERE WAS A WEAKNESS IN THE SYSTEM AND IT RAPIDLY DETERIORATED FROM THE HIGH HEAT OF BLAST-OFF! DO YOU AGREE, BILL?
ABSOLUTELY! DETERIORATION, IN TURN, CAUSED THE EXTREMELY PRECISE CONTROLS NECESSARY WITH FUSION POWER, TO WARP!

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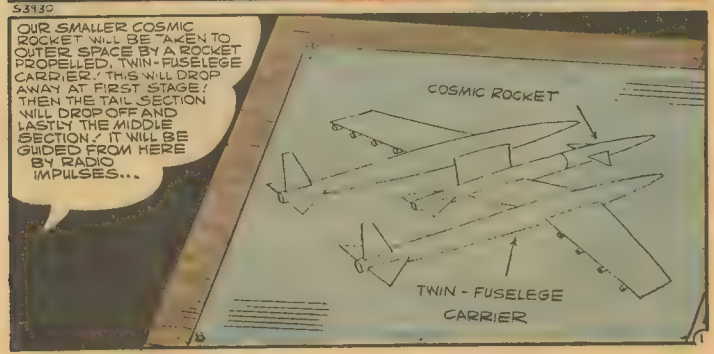
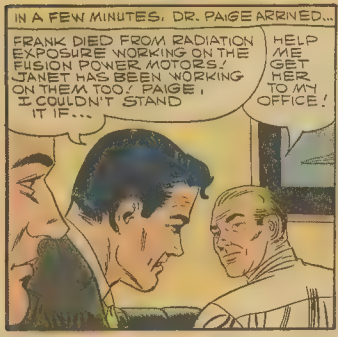
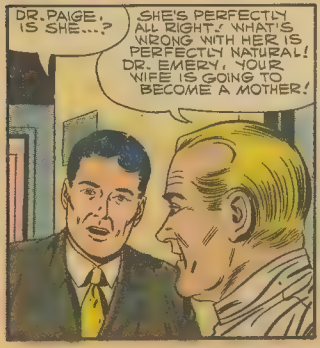

OUR SMALLER COSMIC ROCKET WILL BE TAKEN TO OUTER SPACE BY A ROCKET PROPELLED, TWIN-FUSELEGE CARRIER! THIS WILL DROP AWAY AT FIRST STAGE! THEN THE TAIL SECTION WILL DROP OFF AND LASTLY THE MIDDLE SECTION! IT WILL BE GUIDED FROM HERE BY RADIO IMPULSES...
COSMIC ROCKET
TWIN - FUSELEGE CARRIER

KEITH AND JANET, WITH DR. BILL CONE WHOM KEITH WAS GROOMING TO SUCCEED HIM, WORKED WITHOUT REST TO PERFECT THE TWIN SHIPS! TIME PASSED...

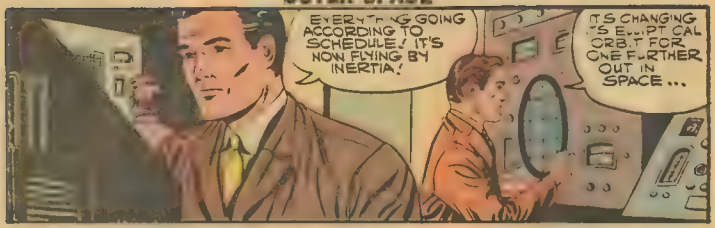
IN A FEW MINUTES, DR. PAIGE ARRIVED...


FRANK DIED FROM RADIATION EXPOSURE WORKING ON THE FUSION POWER MOTORS! JANET HAS BEEN WORKING ON THEM TOO, PAIGE, I COULDN'T STAND IT IF...
HELP ME GET HER TO MY OFFICE!

IN DR. PAIGE'S OFFICE, KEITH WAITED WITH FEAR GNAWING AT HIS MIND...

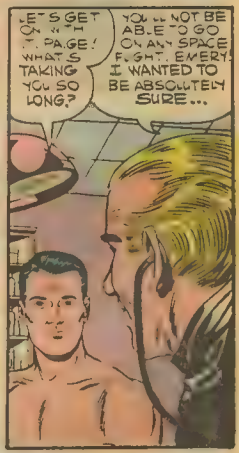

DR. PAIGE, IS SHE...?
SHE'S PERFECTLY ALL RIGHT. WHAT IS WRONG WITH HER IS PERFECTLY NATURAL! DR. EMERY, YOUR WIFE IS GOING TO BECOME A MOTHER!

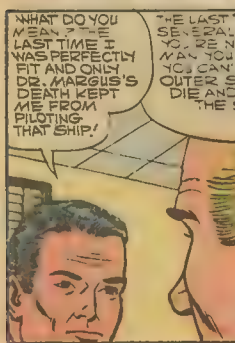
DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW TWIN SHIPS WENT ON. FINALLY THE SMALLER, UNMANNED SHIP WAS READY FOR LAUNCHING...


EVERYTHING GOING ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE! IT'S NOW FLYING BY INERTIA!
IT'S CHANGING ITS EXCEPTIONAL ORBIT FOR ONE FURTHER OUT IN SPACE...

IT'S LANDED ON THE MOON!

FROM THAT POINT ON WORK ON THE SISTER SHIP, TO BE MANNED, WENT ON APACE...
DR. PAGE, I'M GOING TO PILOT THAT SHIP TO THE MOON! IT'S AN OLD DREAM AND, WELL, DR. CONE HAS BEEN GROOMED TO TAKE MY PLACE IN CASE OF MISHAP!
I COULD ARGUE ABOUT THIS, EMERY. BUT YOU'RE THE DIRECTOR!


LET'S GET ON WITH IT, PAGE! WHAT'S TAKING YOU SO LONG?
YOU'LL NOT BE ABLE TO GO ON ANY SPACE FLIGHT, EMERY! I WANTED TO BE ABSOLUTELY SURE...


WHAT DO YOU MEAN? THE LAST TIME I WAS PERFECTLY FIT AND ONLY DR. MARGUS'S DEATH KEPT ME FROM PILOTING THAT SHIP!
THE LAST TIME WAS SEVERAL YEARS AGO! YOU'RE NOT THE SAME MAN YOU WERE THEN! YOU CAN'T FLY INTO OUTER SPACE, YOU'D DIE AND CRASH THE SHIP!

LATER THAT WEEK...
DR. EMERY, THE SHIP IS READY... AND THE YOUNG PILOT SENT BY THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF IS HERE!
I... I'LL BE THERE DIRECTLY!

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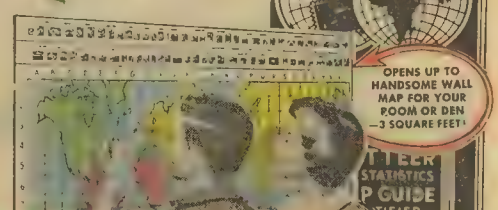

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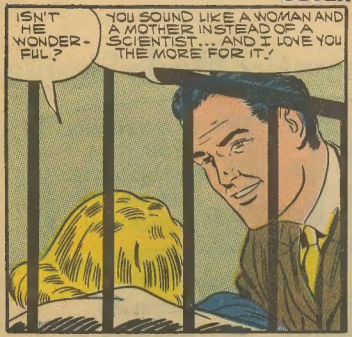
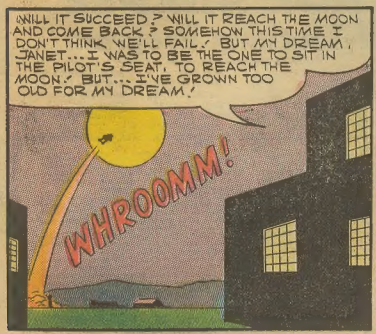
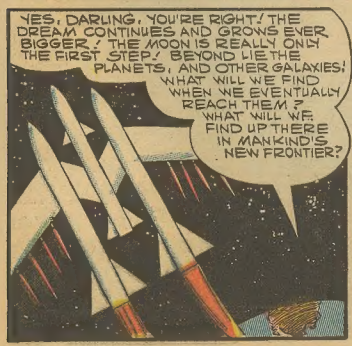
CAPTAIN KENT... YES, OF COURSE!
A WEEK LATER THE GREAT SHIP STOOD READY, A MONUMENT TO MAN'S SCIENTIFIC INGENUITY...
SHE'S READY FOR BLAST-OFF, SIR!
I'M READY, SIR!
AH, CAPTAIN KENT... THE MAN WHO WILL PILOT A DREAM TO FULFILLMENT, A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE DREAMER!
WHAT WAS THAT, SIR?
NEVER MIND, MY BOY! GOOD LUCK AND... BRING US BACK A PIECE OF THE MOON!
THE PILOT WENT OUT TO THE SHIP! A HUSH SEEMED TO DESCEND OVER THE EARTH...
DR. EMERY, YOU'RE WANTED IN THE HOSPITAL! YOUR WIFE...
A FEW MINUTES LATER...
JANET...
IT'S ALL RIGHT, KEITH... AND IT'S ALL OVER! YOU HAVE A FINE BABY SON!


ISN'T HE WONDERFUL?
YOU SOUND LIKE A WOMAN AND A MOTHER INSTEAD OF A SCIENTIST... AND I LOVE YOU THE MORE FOR IT.

WHAT'S THAT? BLAST-OFF! THERE SHE GOES...MOONSHIP...DESTINATION: OUTER SPACE AND THE MOON!


WILL IT SUCCEED? WILL IT REACH THE MOON AND COME BACK? SOMEHOW THIS TIME I DON'T THINK WE'LL FAIL! BUT MY DREAM, JANET...I WAS TO BE THE ONE TO SIT IN THE PILOT'S SEAT, TO REACH THE MOON! BUT...I'VE GROWN TOO OLD FOR MY DREAM!
WHROOMM!

NO, KEITH, THE DREAM IS STILL YOURS BECAUSE YOU MADE IT POSSIBLE... YOU AND ALL OF US LIKE YOU! THE DREAM IS FOR HIM, NOW!


YES, DARLING, YOU'RE RIGHT! THE DREAM CONTINUES AND GROWS EVER BIGGER! THE MOON IS REALLY ONLY THE FIRST STEP! BEYOND LIE THE PLANETS, AND OTHER GALAXIES! WHAT WILL WE FIND WHEN WE EVENTUALLY REACH THEM? WHAT WILL WE FIND UP THERE IN MANKIND'S NEW FRONTIER?

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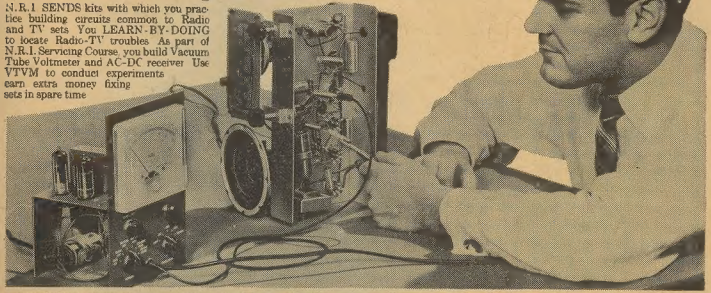

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